GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Increase in Number of Passengers to Katra
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of passengers travelling from Jammu to Katra have increased and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to introduce a new train or a DMU train on the above route; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)
(a): Yes, Madam. The total number of passengers travelled from Jammu to Katra during the financial year 2015-16 was 963144 as compared to 907008 during the financial year 2014-15.

(b) & (c): At present, Jammu Tawi is connected to Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra by 18 pair of train services including 01 DMU train which are considered adequate for the present level of traffic. At present, there is no proposal to introduce additional DMU train from Jammu Tawi to Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra due to operational and resource constraints. However, introduction of new trains including DMU trains is an ongoing process over Indian Railways and is done keeping in view the traffic justification, operational feasibility, resource availability etc.
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